



Sustainable Arlington An Environment Committee of Envision Arlington

Agenda (revised 9/21/2020)

Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2020

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Location: Virtual Meeting by Zoom

Registration required; link:

<https://harvard.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcpceCupjMtG9XLauHNNECgF722RyYzfXV4>

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At the start of the meeting, we will:

1. Confirm first and last name of everyone on the call for the minutes and make sure that everyone can hear each other
2. Read Preamble to Remote Meetings
3. Introduce all members, staff, and persons on the agenda
4. Review “ground rules” for online meetings
5. Meeting materials will be available online through Novus or Town website for the public
- 6.

Revised Agenda for September 23, 2020

1. Introductions
2. Update from Planning Dept.
 - a. NEW: Draft Net Zero Action Roadmap, presentation by Ken Pruitt, Town of Arlington Energy Manager. Focus will be on proposed greenhouse gas (GHG) mitigation measures. 45-60 minutes.
3. Approve August minutes

- a. Minutes available here:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1b99Tq76Hsuthj8oeX3jkFVOQYqRLOQT4/view?usp=sharing>
- 4. Local multi-town pollinator pathways project: brief update
- 5. Clean Heat for Arlington: brief update
 - a. We will be submitting the previously proposed fossil fuel bylaw as a Home Rule Petition to the special Town Meeting scheduled for November.
- 6. Parke Wilde from Extinction Rebellion talks about their proposed **Climate Emergency resolution**
 - a. See the draft resolution here:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1I878Cu6Q_BHCCAz2QAfocEfob7_ahHOh60dHTLD6eCU/edit
- 7. Vote regarding participation in the Arlington **Global Day of Climate Action. September 25**, 5-6pm. (Wear a mask, practice social distancing). Part of global actions from the #FridaysForFuture movement inspired by Greta Thunberg. After this event, at 6pm, please stay for the nightly peaceful Black Lives Matter vigils along Massachusetts Avenue. Signs speaking up for racial justice are welcome at the Global Day of Climate Action.
- 8. Open time for discussion of new ideas
- 9. New business
- 10. Announcements
 - a. 3rd Annual **Climate Preparedness Week**, Sept. 24-30, https://www.climatecrew.org/prep_week.
 - b. **Effects of Residential Gas Appliances on Indoor and Outdoor Air Quality and Public Health in California**.pdf April 2020.
UCLA Fielding School of Public Health Department of Environmental Health Sciences, <https://coeh.ph.ucla.edu/effects-residential-gas-appliances-indoor-and-outdoor-air-quality-and-public-health-california>
 - c. Brady Seals and Andee Krasner, **Health Effects from Gas Stove Pollution**, Rocky Mountain Institute, Physicians for Social Responsibility, Mothers Out Front, and Sierra Club, 2020, <https://rmi.org/insight/gassstoves-pollution-health>
 - d. Support native pollinators and pollination systems through citizen science with **The Beecology Project**. Worcester Polytechnic Institute.
 - e. Find webinars, other online events at <http://www.sustainablearlington.org/>
- 11. Adjourn